



November 15, 2020



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Liturgical Schedule

(Changes in the schedule noted inside)

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Closed 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. for lunch.

St. Ann's Parish Mission
 St. Ann Parish seeks the salvation of souls through the redemption of Jesus Christ as revealed to us in and through the divinely instituted Holy Catholic Church. We invite all to receive God's love as we give of ourselves in compassionate service.

<p>Sunday Mass Schedule Vigil Mass (Saturday): 4:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Mass in the Extraordinary Form: 12:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Weekday Masses Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 7:00 a.m. Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form) Friday: 7:00 a.m. (Mass in the Extraordinary Form) and 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Adoration Tuesday 8:00 a.m. through Wednesday 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour: Wednesday 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Reconciliation Thursday: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.</p>
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THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN		
+ denotes deceased	Mass Intentions	Meetings & Events
Sunday 15th	8:00 a.m. Our parish family 10:30 a.m. +Molly Walton <i>by the Stocker family</i> 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of Josephine Frances Rosamond <i>by the family</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School)
Monday 16th	7:00 a.m. +Frank Duff <i>by the Legion of Mary</i>	5:00 p.m. Church in use 5:30 p.m. World Rosary (Chapel) 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Scout room) RCIA (Classrooms 1 & 2) Fraternus (Gym)
Tuesday 17th	7:00 a.m. Intentions of Cynthia Conner <i>by the family</i> <i>Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m. (church)</i>	
Wednesday 18th	<i>Adoration continues until 5:00 p.m. (church)</i> 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour (Church) 6:00 p.m. Latin +Monica McGuire <i>by the Charlotte Latin Mass Community</i>	8:00 a.m. CCE (All rooms) 6:45 p.m. Fidelis (Gym)
Thursday 19th	7:00 a.m. +John Futiak <i>by the Skorupa family</i> 5:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)	
Friday 20th	7:00 a.m. Latin Intentions of the McElravey family <i>by the family</i> 8:30 a.m. Intentions of William Conner <i>by the family</i>	8:00 a.m. CCE (All rooms & Cry rooms) Rosary (Chapel)
Saturday 21st	3:00 p.m. Confessions (Church) 4:30 p.m. +Deceased parishioners & their loved ones of St. Ann parish	10:30 a.m. Together In Holiness (All rooms)
Sunday 22nd	8:00 a.m. +Teresa Csordas <i>by the Lejk family</i> 10:30 a.m. Our parish family 12:30 p.m. Latin Intentions of the Nobers family <i>by the Verney family</i>	9:00 a.m. Faith Formation (School) 2:00 p.m. Baptism (Church) Latin Institute (Café) 5:00 p.m. Vespers (Church)



Dear Parishioners,

I do hope that many of you are praying the new **54-Day Rosary Novena** for our country's leadership that I mentioned last Sunday at Mass. Praying for our nation is our duty and privilege as Christians, and our nation needs prayer more than ever. Most especially, we must pray that our Lord will give our country the leaders that we truly need. As is always the case, the first 27 days of a 54-Day Rosary Novena are prayed in petition, while the second 27 days are prayed in thanksgiving. Let's be confident and fervent in our prayers, trusting always in Our Lady's miraculous intercession.

Praying for the poor souls in Purgatory is also a duty of all Catholics, especially during the month of November. To this end, if you would like to have Masses offered for your deceased loved ones, please use the **All Souls envelopes** and write the names of your loved ones on the envelope. We are celebrating a novena of Masses this month for all of those souls whose names are on the envelopes. You may turn in your envelopes at any time this month (if you haven't done so already) by dropping them into any Mass collection, by dropping them off at the office, or by using the on-line donation page on our website. The Book of the Dead is also available in the narthex for you to list the names of your beloved deceased for whom you desire prayers.

Please keep in mind that an **indulgence** is normally granted to the faithful who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray for the dead (even if the prayer is only mental) during the first 8 days of November. Because of the pandemic this year, the Holy See has stated that the indulgence can be obtained by anyone who visits a cemetery, even if only mentally, on any day in November, and devoutly prays for the faithful departed.

A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is also normally granted to the faithful, who piously visit a church or a public oratory on All Souls Day. This year, it can be obtained not only on the actual feast day, but on any other day of the month chosen by each member of the faithful. In visiting the church or oratory, it is required that one *Our Father* and the *Creed* be recited. Both of these indulgences are granted under the normal conditions, i.e., one must be baptized and in the state of grace, be free from an attachment to sin, go to confession within 20 days, receive Holy Communion on the day you visit the cemetery or church, and offer prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father.

Lastly, the **pilgrimage to the Holy Land** that was originally scheduled for this past March has been rescheduled for April 19-30, 2021. If you are interested in going, there are brochures in the back of church. You can also find the itinerary on our parish website, or call the office for more information.

In Jesus and Mary

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Fr. Reid" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Fr. Reid

Fr. Reid's homilies (audio & PDF) & the bulletins are posted on the website: www.StAnnCharlotte.org

Your Stewardship of Treasure
734 registered families

	Weekly		YTD	
October 25, 2020	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Weekly Collection	18,864.93	17,673.08	326,792.07	300,442.36
Other Revenue Streams:			5,265.00	45,471.78
Total Revenue:			332,057.07	345,914.14
YTD Surplus/Deficit:			(13,857.07)	

DSA:

2020 Goal:	120,163.00
Pledged:	130,230.20
Received:	113,553.48
Assessment Balance:	6,609.52
Donors:	165

Priest Retirement:

Goal:	24,035.00
Received:	17,964.30
Balance:	6,070.70

Text Offertory Donations to: 704-360-5305 with the amount you would like to contribute (Example: 25).
 Text 5-year Plan Donations to: 704-360-5305 Amt/Space/Needs.

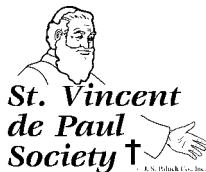
You will be sent to a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and debt or card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt of your donation via email. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

Give Electronically at www.StAnnCharlotte.org



What will you do with the time, talent, and treasure God has given you? Will you give it back with increase or bury it?

*The good news of today's Gospel is the extravagance of what is being given us. All we need do is be faithful in "small matters." The cost of fidelity has no comparison to the reward given. **To give thanks for all that God has given to you, have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?***



*Your will is a plan for the distribution of the assets you have accumulated as a result of the God-given gifts you have received throughout your life. **Thank you for considering a gift to our parish in your will.***

Food Collections for the Catholic Charities Diocese of Charlotte Food Pantry are the first and third weekends of every month. The collections will be: **November 14th-15th, December 5th-6th and December 19th-20th.**

As we approach the season of Thanksgiving, please consider your blessings and make a gift of gratitude to the DSA. If you have not yet contributed, you can donate online at www.charlottediocese.org/dsa or by returning the pledge form that you received in the mail. Remember, any amount over our goal will be returned to the parish for our own needs. If you have an outstanding pledge, please complete your pledge payments by December 31.



Our second collection TODAY is for our Priests' Retirement. Our assessment is \$24,035. There are additional envelopes available in the parish office/narthex for those who did not receive one in the mail.

33 Hours of Adoration begins Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. through Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. in the church. Adorers: please share your contact information with those who adore during your **Adoration hour**. If you can't make it, call the others to make sure someone is visiting Our Lord during that hour. Contact Marcela Bayard: rcgator@icloud.com.

COMING EVENTS AT ST. ANN'S

Faith Formation

The St. Ann Faith Formation program is for the children of registered parishioners. Classes are offered for kindergarten through eighth grade and meet Sunday mornings from 9:00-10:10 a.m. For information, please visit the parish website or contact Patty Blais at the office of Faith Formation: 704-523-4641 ext. 231 or through email, pablais@charlottediocese.org.

As a reminder: Screening checklists should be completed just prior to arrival each week of Faith Formation and signed by a parent. Be sure to check the schedule for class dates: **NO classes Sunday, November 29th.**

All students who will be making First Communion/Reconciliation and Confirmation at St. Ann's are required to complete 2 years of religious education, through parish based Faith Formation, Catholic School, or at home. **Reminder for 2nd and 8th grade students:** Remember to fill out and turn in Mass participation cards. Extra copies are available at the Faith Formation check in table.

Confirmation

Workshop attendance is mandatory for all Confirmation candidates. Upcoming Confirmation workshops are scheduled for **Sundays, December 6th and 13th**. Candidates will continue to meet twice each month through May 2021. Meetings are currently held in the gym and on the upper floor of the Allen Center. All Confirmation candidates will need to complete the regular health screening process prior to class and are required to wear a face covering. See a complete listing of Workshop dates on the parish website: www.stanncharlotte.org. Eighth graders enrolled in regular Faith Formation class should continue attending those classes on alternate scheduled class dates.

Legion of Mary meets on **Mondays at 7:00 p.m.** in the Scout Room. For information contact Karen Rubbo at rubbosgirl@carolina.rr.com

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is a formation program for adults interested in becoming Catholic or Catholics hoping to complete the Sacraments of Initiation. **Classes meet on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** For more information, visit the parish website at www.stanncharlotte.org.

Bulletin Deadlines are:

Tuesday, November 17th, at 12 noon for Sunday, November 22, 2020.

Thursday, November 19th, at 12 noon for Sunday, November 29, 2020.

Tuesday, December 1st, at 12 noon for Sunday, December 6, 2020.

Latin Institute Announcement: On Sunday, November 22nd, at 2:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Allen Center, St. Ann's will host the first public announcement of a new Latin institute.

The Veterum Sapientia Institute (VSI), named after Pope John XXIII's 1962 Apostolic Constitution, which defended and promoted the study of Latin in seminaries, comes as the natural fruit of the eight annual conferences hosted in the Charlotte area. The goal of VSI is to provide Latin and Greek studies via online classes and in-person intensive programs to any priest, seminarian, or religious in the world. We also hope to respond to the needs of the lay faithful, such as homeschool families and Latin Mass attendees. *I hope to see you on the 22nd for refreshments and a few brief presentations. ~ Fr. Barone*

World Rosary meets on **Mondays at 5:30 p.m.** in the **Chapel.**

Mass Attendance Instructions: Families may sit together as a group. **PLEASE observe 6 feet of distance from other parishioners.** Our church reaches Phase 3 allowed capacity at 250 people.

We also have Masses live-streamed on our Facebook page at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Four (4) people is the allowed capacity in the Chapel and social-distancing is required. We offer Communion service three times each Sunday. Check the Friday Five email and the website to sign-up. *If you have a health concern of any sort, or if your health has been compromised in anyway, please stay home.*

WEDDING BANNERS

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*II-Gillian Behinger-Tom Verner
28 November 2020 IN*

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN



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*Welcome into our parish family
Emmett Vernon Sapp IV*

Fraternus will meet Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the gym. If you are a boy in the parish entering sixth grade to senior year, we want to meet you! So expect a Fraternus Captain or Brother to introduce himself! **Fraternus is open to all men of the parish.**

Fidelis will meet **Wednesdays, at 6:45 p.m. (following the Wednesday evening Mass)** in the gym. All middle-school and high-school aged young women are welcome. For information, contact Sr. Mary Jacinta at: dvmfidelis@gmail.com. *“Fidelis is a sisterhood that brings together girls seeking truth and beauty... Come and see what we are all about! Find out more at www.fidelisonline.org.”*

Our Lady of Fatima had made the request for the observance of the First Five Saturdays Devotion to the three shepherd children, which remains sadly neglected by her Son's Church. Masses celebrated on the first Saturday of each month offered in reparation for the sins committed against our Blessed Mother's Immaculate Heart, going to confession, recitation of the Rosary, and spending 15 minutes with her in meditation on a mystery of the Rosary brings great comfort to her and reaps blessings for those who honor her in this way. **Join us each First Saturday at 3:55 p.m. in the chapel as we pray the Rosary.** Information can be found each month at our table.

Seven Sisters Apostolate: Looking for several women to join this amazing Apostolate, which prays for Our Pastor, Fr Reid. Can you offer just one hour? www.sevensistersapostolate.org. For more information, contact Sarah Miller at holyfamilyacademy4@yahoo.com.

Fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Our Blessed Mother wants active and auxiliary members to join her Legion. Assist in waging war against the enemy by winning souls for the Crucified Christ! Join a nearly 100-year-old lay apostolate movement founded on a profound devotion to Our Lady. **Our Lady of Fatima praesidium meets Mondays in the Scout Room at 7:00 p.m. in the Allen Center.** Contact Karen Rubbo at rubbsgirl@carolina.rr.com.



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Our parishioners:
Nancy West,
Edward
McNally,
Joe Lawton,

Chuck Sollard,
Mark Ponischil,
Anna Sobus & family.

Our friends and family:

Fred Battweg,
Michelle Obruba (friend of the Skorupa family),
Betty Suran (friend of the Skorupa family),
Maxwell Oliver Raines (grandson of Terese Raines),
Virginia Hannigan (mother of Jan Colin),
Jennifer Arnold (friend of Nancy Tota),
Jean Storer,
Jerry Cuccinello,
Mary Regester (friend of Nancy Tota),
Grace Portigue (daughter of Barbara Meskill),
Douglas Edge,
Albert Ayd (brother of Cecilia Balman),
Dolly Langley (sister of Cecilia Balman),
Joel Rivera,
Marcia York (sister of Carol Kuhn),
Fay Alderman (mother of John & mother-in-law of Terry Alderman),
Michael Pappas,
Jacqueline Russell (mother of Andrea Hines),
James Matthew Brennan,
Terri Brewer Benton (daughter of Pat Brewer),
Carol Brunhuber (mother of Steve Brunhuber),
William “Will” Shack (grandson of Pat Niemer)
Cathy Yankech,
Christine Weiss & family,
Trudy & Jimmy Dixon,
Alison Moyer (sister of Lorelle Grant),
Muriel Johnson.

Our servicemen and servicewomen:

Set. John Michael Fanning USMC,
Lt. Grace Carlson, USN,
Lt. Drew Carlson, USMC,
Ensign Hayley Derscheid,
Petty Officer 1st Class Jeffrey Derscheid,
LT. Charlie Hetzel USN,
LT. Thomas Hetzel USN,
1st LT. Peter Hetzel US Army (deployed),
SGT James “Jim” Alston, US Army.



*St. Joseph
Patron of Dying and
Solace of the Afflicted*

MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN

Great online resources available to every member of our parish through a program called **Formed**. In order to access these resources, go to: **www.formed.org** and click on “Find Out More” at the bottom of the home page. You will be taken to page where you can enter a parish code to get access to the resources. **Our parish code is: Y6ZQ8M.** Once you’ve logged in under our parish code, you can create your personal profile and login.

Do You Like To Pray? Or, are you in need of prayer? Receive the comfort of others praying for and with you by joining the **St. Ann Prayer Group**. This group of volunteers filled with the love of God and the love of prayer. In Jesus name they pray for healings, conversions, whatever the need. Pray in your home, at Mass, at Adoration, or any place you are at peace. For information or to join, call Nancy Picciola at 803-389-5530 or email stannpray_ers@comporium.net.

Check out all the *Lighthouse CD’s books and booklets*. Too many to name but you will find the Lighthouse Kiosk in the north vestibule. **Light-house Kiosk Suggested Donations** Booklets: \$3 each, Books: \$5 each, CDs: \$4 each or 3/\$10. Use code: **33769** when you go to: www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/cdclub. **Make checks payable to St. Ann Catholic Church.**

Do you love Jesus? Do you want to learn how to love Him more deeply? Do you want Him to transform your life and the lives of your family and friends? Read His Word every day. The daily Mass readings are the very voice of God speaking to us. Meditate on His Word for just 15 minutes with the help of our *One Bread One Body* booklets, a guide to the daily Scriptures **found in the North Vestibule with other helpful resources.**

LATIN MASS CORNER

Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form) Calendar for the week of **November 8th -November 15, 2020**

November 15th	Resumed 6th Sunday after Epiphany-2nd class
November 16th	St. Gertrude the Great -3rd class
November 17th	St. Gregory the Wonderworker-3rd class
November 18th	Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul-3rd class
November 19th	St. Elizabeth of Hungary -3rd class
November 20th	St. Felix of Valois -3rd class
November 21st	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary-3rd class
November 22nd	24th Sunday after Pentecost -2nd class

St. Ann's offers the Latin Mass on Sundays at 12:30 p.m., Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m., Fridays 7:00 a.m., and on select feast days. The Latin Mass has a different liturgical calendar and readings than the Novus Ordo (English) Mass. Any Mass schedule changes will be listed on Page 2 of the bulletin.

Latin Mass Q&A:

What do the Classes in the above calendar mean? The Class is the level of importance or solemnity (1st-4th) associated with that day's Saint or commemoration. A 1st Class Feast Day are many Sundays and major solemnities like Christmas. FERIA is a non-feast day and readings typically revert to the prior Sunday readings.

Questions? Email: info@charlottelatinmass.org.

For Latin Mass news, visit www.charlottelatinmass.org

Latin Mass Email List: The Latin Mass Community shares updates on future Latin Masses around Charlotte, and last minute schedule changes. To sign up, email Chris Lauer at info@charlottelatinmass.org.

Year of St. Joseph Prayer

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also. Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness. As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

St. Ann Catholic Church
Charlotte, NC † 2020

EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE

Year of St. Joseph: We're happy to announce that the **Fathers of Mercy will be preaching a special Year of St. Joseph Mission at three locations in the Diocese of Charlotte this November.** Each mission will be held Monday–Thursday from 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Each evening will include an inspiring conference on the life and virtues of St. Joseph along with Eucharistic Adoration and Confession. **For complete details including the schedule of talks, please visit: www.YearofStJoseph.org/Mission.**



Knights of Columbus meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00p.m. in the St. Patrick's Family Life Center located at 1621 Dilworth Road East. Please contact: Richard Mills, Financial Secretary at

rtm2108@aol.com or Grand Knight Sergio Miranda at sergio.miranda.usa@gmail.com. We invite you to attend our meetings to learn more about how the Knights of Columbus serves God's people.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. Ann Home School Ministry: Are you a homeschool parent or are you considering homeschooling? The St. Ann Home School Ministry (SAHSM) is comprised of independent homeschooling families who are united in our efforts to assist and encourage each other as we pursue Catholic home education for our children. As a parish ministry, in addition to supporting its members through academic, liturgical, and social programs, we also seek to serve the wider St. Ann community in a variety of ways. **For information on joining our ministry, contact Carmel Palanos at cp.homeschool@outlook.com.**



Our Catholic Schools in the Charlotte area inviting prospective families, and community members to connect to us during “Discover Catholic Schools Week” November 8th-14, 2020. Join us and see what makes the Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools unique and discover the right school for your children. **MACS opened Admissions on November 2nd.** Visit our website: discovermacs.org.

MARRIAGE & NFP INFORMATION

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat creates a healing environment of prayer and forgiveness. The retreat works to reconnect individuals to themselves, their friends, and family and to realize God's ever present love.

A Natural Family Planning three class series. Learn NFP from the comfort of your home, in real time, with your teaching couple. **Sign up online and purchase class materials at www.ccli.org.** Postpartum and Pre-menopause transition classes are also available upon request. Contact Joe and Kathy Hack for information at 704- 548-1834 or hackhouse@bellsouth.net.

The Natural Family Planning (NFP) program of Catholic Charities is continuing to provide online courses and plans to resume in person instruction in the New Year. Current online courses include Natural Family Planning in English or Spanish, a new course called "Know Your Body" for any woman who wants to understand her menstrual cycle as a vital sign, and a parent/daughter retreat, designed to assist parents to guide their daughters through the changes of puberty and into womanhood. For information, go to ccdoc.org/nfp or contact Batrice Adcock, MSN, at Catholic Charities, 704-370-3230 or bnadcock@charlottediocese.org.

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down his life for us that we may have new life. **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**, visit: SCMarriageMatters.org, call: 803-810-9602, email: applications@scmarriagematters.org.

Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to help get your marriage back on track. For information, call: 800-470-2230, email: retrouvaille@msn.com or visit: www.helpourmarriage.org.

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November 16th-19th, with Fr. Ricardo Pineda, CPM: St. Barnabas Church, Arden, NC. The links to watch online are posted at www.YearofStJoseph.org/Mission. Also, St. Barnabas has created an online sign-up form to attend their mission because, due to renovations in their sanctuary, the mission will be held in the parish hall. The link to this sign-up form is also at the same website.



The St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Charlotte invite all married and engaged couples to the 2nd annual ***Together in Holiness* marriage conference on Saturday, November 21st, from 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at St. Ann's and online!** Dynamic Presentations | Mass | Scholarships Eucharistic Adoration | Reconciliation Featuring: Kathryn Whitaker, Rev. Matthew Kauth, and more! Registration: \$59/couple and \$35/individual, At-Home Conference Experience: \$15. Scholarships available upon request. For more information, visit togetherinholiness.org or email sara@forlifeandfamily.org.

The Eastern European Christmas Eve Tradition of sharing the Oplatek or Christmas Wafer at your Christmas Eve Wigilia, Vilia, (Stedry Vecer) Kucios, or dinner can be rekindled. Traditionally, breaking and sharing the Christmas wafer with family and friends is accompanied with best wishes and expressions of forgiveness, helping us to bring joy and happiness to our hearts and homes for the coming year thru the birth of Jesus Christ. **Orders for the wafers will be taken until December 20th. Cost will be \$1 per wafer and you state your quantity or buy a sealed packet of 4 white wafers for \$5.** Please call Helen Collins (St. Gabriel Parishioner) at 704-576-3562 or e-mail order request to: helen892@att.net. Proceeds will go to a church charity to help needy families this holiday season.

Download the Carolina Catholic App! The app is Your Smartphone companion. Download and listen and pray. Keep close to your Faith throughout the day. It's available on Google play and at the App store. 800-857-2909. www.carolinacatholicradio.org. Feedback@carolinacatholicradio.org

Spiritual Adoption of the Abortion Vulnerable. Our Spiritual Adoption program continues! Prayer cards for this campaign are available at all Masses, and if you need a packet, these are still available too in the narthex (packet has a special gift and resource brochures to help you share the message of respect life). Thank you for your prayers! **During this prayer campaign from October 2020-July 2021, we invite you to PRAY - GIVE - ACT for the abortion vulnerable, offering your spiritual sacrifice to God for the salvation of souls.** Here's how it works:

1. PRAY daily with the provided prayer card, especially with your children. This prayer was specifically chosen to be appropriate even for young children to pray for the respect life cause. PRAY monthly at Mass for Our Lady's Respect Life Intentions on 4th Saturday mornings.
2. GIVE monthly to the respect life organizations suggested, which have been approved by Fr Reid. These organizations will also be recipients of our parish tithing.
3. ACT regularly with suggestions which will change monthly, usually coinciding with the organization featured that month.

For the Month of November: PRAY: please pray daily with your family with the Spiritual Adoption prayer cards. GIVE: Missionaries of the Poor. See their website for details: missionariesofthepoor.org/our-missions/u-s-a-monroe-nc/
To be added to the respect life email list, email worthingtonmarybeth@gmail.com **or view updates on St Ann Respect Life blog:** www.respectlifestanncharlotte.blogspot.com.

Solemn Vespers at 5:00 p.m. on Sundays at St. Ann's. Mark your calendars for these upcoming dates: November 22nd and December 13th.

MiraVia is beginning a search for a new location for our local Outreach Center here in Charlotte. Our current facility provides diapers, clothing, groceries, and other baby essentials to new moms, as well as empowering them through lifeskills classes and other support. We are growing, and we need your help to find a new space for this important work! **If you have skills or connections in commercial real estate and would be willing to donate your time to help in our search, please contact Mary Ellen Gustainis at megustainis@gmail.com.**

REMINDERS

*Please to be mindful of our Lord’s presence whenever you are in the church. **Making sure to genuflect whenever you pass before the tabernacle, maintaining a prayerful silence in the church, dressing modestly and silencing cell phones are practices that we would all do well to follow—not simply out of respect for our Lord, but for the benefit of our fellow parishioners as well.***
Thank you!

Low gluten hosts are available at Holy Communion for those who need them. To receive a low gluten host, go to the eagle lectern after everyone else has received Holy Communion.

Prayer cards of our Statues are available in the North Vestibule. A donation of \$0.50 per card.

Shaking Hands At Mass During the Cold and Flu Season. If you prefer not to shake hands during the Sign of Peace, simply clasp your hands together and acknowledge those around you with a gentle bow and “peace be with you”.

If you are approached by panhandlers on the church campus, **please do not give them money.** Instead, direct them to the parish office for financial assistance. *We have the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help those in need.* Thank you!

Check out our website: StAnnCharlotte.org, and go to the **prayers/devotion section under “Resources.”** Because of recent attacks on our religious freedoms we encourage everyone to pray the **“Prayer for Religious Liberty”** with the recent attacks on our religious freedoms there are several prayers and novenas on our website.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

The Airport Chaplaincy at Charlotte Douglas Airport offers two Masses on Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. held in the auditorium on the upper level of the main terminal above the Carolina Pit BBQ. *It is open 5:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.*

A **televised Sunday Mass** is now airing on ABC Family from **6:30-7:00 a.m. Sunday mornings.** Call 800-THE-MASS or www.TheSundayMass.org.

Let’s be Social! Follow @StAnnCharlotte on:



To book a room in the Allen Center, call Savas Mallos at 704-523-4641 x233.

As you come into the church, please keep in mind that we have several parishioners and visitors with walkers and canes that would like to sit in the back by the baptismal font so the walk from their cars is not too far! Make sure to lock your cars and trucks. Either keep your personal items with you in church or lock them in your trunk. *This is for your safety.*

To All Parents with Infants and Small Children
One of the most beautiful blessings of our Parish is that we have so many babies and small kids! While all children are most welcome in the church, please keep in mind that the acoustics in our church are excellent, which means that their voices carry. If your children cry or scream during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, please be sensitive to those around you by taking your child to one of our cry rooms. *The cry rooms are reserved for families with small children. Everyone else is requested to sit in the church.*

To those in the Cry Rooms for Mass
Please remember that these rooms are an extension of the church itself. Therefore, please be as reverent as possible during Mass. These rooms exist to help you train your children how to attend Mass properly; thus, they should not be used as play rooms. While everyone who uses the cry rooms expects them to be a bit noisier than the church, disruptive games or toys are better left at home. Moreover, conversations in the cry rooms should be kept to a minimum during Mass. *Thank you for your consideration.*

Outdoor Speakers
We have outdoor speakers for those whose small children are too loud for the cry rooms or narthex. Please be considerate of your fellow parishioners if your children are making a lot of noise.

Be sure you are up to date on your **Protecting God’s Children information & the Virtus monthly bulletins. You need to up date your Background Check every five (5) years.** All forms are online on the Diocese of Charlotte website: under Safe Environment & Volunteers.

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